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To: Division of Disability and Rehabilitation Services stakeholders
From: Kylee Hope, director, Division of Disability and Rehabilitation Services
Re: Community Connections for People with Disabilities webinar recording now available
Date: October 29, 2020

The Division of Disability and Rehabilitation Services is committed to helping to mitigate the negative social, emotional and health effects of COVID-19 for Hoosiers with disabilities. DDRS, in partnership with the Office of Community and Rural Affairs, has developed a grant program addressing COVID-19-related issues of community inclusion for Hoosier adults with disabilities. The Community Connections for People with Disabilities grant is intended to encourage Indiana communities to partner with local developmental disabilities service organizations to develop activities that support community inclusion for Hoosier adults with disabilities by either:

- Addressing issues of internet access and technology equity; or
- Addressing issues of social isolation and lost access to natural supports (family, friends, etc.).

The grant application opened on October 23, 2020, and is slated to close on January 10, 2021, at 4 p.m. EST. Grant awardees will be announced in late January 2021 and are eligible for up to \$200,000 in funds.

A captioned recording of the informational webinar, held October 26, 2020, is [now available](#). Links to all current grant materials, including the webinar recording, webinar slide deck, grant application, and sub-recipient agreement template, are available on the DDRS [Community Connections for People with Disabilities webpage](#).

